

STICK MAN'S JOURNEY

playspace card

Step into the magical world of Stick Man with our engaging playspace, inspired by the beloved book by Julia Donaldson. Here, children can dive into Stick Man's exhilarating adventure, bringing the story to life through a collection of interactive resources. Whether it's building Stick Man's family tree, navigating the swirling river, or escaping the playful dog, each element encourages imaginative play and creativity. This vibrant environment not only fosters a love for storytelling but also inspires young minds to explore and embrace the wonders of nature. Let the adventure begin!

CREATING THIS SPACE we've got you covered

Browse a curated list of everything we used to create this space on our website!

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Whether you're topping up your own resource collection or want to purchase the whole Playspace, Bellbird has you covered!

PLAYSPACE BUNDLES what's included?

- Purchase all the resources used to put this playspace together so you can set it up in your own space and style!
 - *Stick Man's Journey Playspace* ([SKU 1100671](#))

*Please note that the photography does not show all items from the resource sets. Purchasing this playspace includes complete sets beyond those displayed.

OUR HERO PIECES in this space

- Magic Wood Large Buildable Tree House ([SKU 140325](#))
- Sensory Snow ([SKU 112939](#))
- Billy Kidz Hexagonal Mirrored Play House ([SKU 159756](#))
- EC Sensory Cotton Sand 5kg - Natural ([SKU 112980](#))
- Stick Man - Paperback Book ([SKU 134826](#))
- Landscape Felt Cloth Set - 3pcs ([SKU 136871](#))
- Wooden Bridge - 23 x 9 x 9.5cmH ([SKU 136674](#))
- CollectA Farm Life Replica - Mute Swan 8 x 6.5cmH ([SKU 155053](#))
- CollectA Cats & Dogs Life Replica - Golden Retriever ([SKU 155150](#))



Flip over the page for links to the EYLF, Planning Cycle and Implementation/Extension tips



Take some of the guess work out of the 'why' behind the 'what' and let the Bellbird Playspace cards help guide you to create engaging and meaningful learning opportunities.



THE BIGGER THOUGHTS

learning themes and connections

Wondering what topics and themes you might see children exploring whilst engaging in this playspace? Check out some relevant learning themes here:

- Story Telling
- Resilience
- Seasons
- Adventure
- Sense of Belonging
- Identity & Family



PROMOTING THINKING DURING PLAY

engaging with children

Help children to think deeper about the topics you're exploring by engaging with them during play! Use open-ended questions to challenge and develop children's thoughts and ideas about what they're learning. You could ask children:

- Do you remember what order Stick Man went on his adventure, can we try to retell his adventure?
- How would you feel if you were apart from your family? How can we show others how much we care about them?
- What adventures have you been on? Can we make a playspace about it? What kind of things can we use?
- Can you tell me about your home? What do you love about your home?



LINKING TO THE LEARNING BEHIND PLAY

possible links to the early years learning framework

You might find children engaging in the following learning outcomes from the EYLF:

- Learning Outcome 4.3: Children transfer and adapt what they have learned from one context to another
- Learning Outcome 5.2: Children engage with a range of texts and gain meaning from these texts



EXTENDING PLAY: WHERE TO NEXT

extension ideas and prompts for continued inquiry

- Go out into nature to look for stick men! Activate children's imaginations and look for sticks that could be their very own stick men, get creative and adorn them with eyes or make accessories for them too!
- Stick Man rescue, freeze a Stick Man in a tray and give children resources to try and chip away the ice to rescue Stick Man.
- Take Stick Man on an adventure into your outdoor space, build sand castles, float him and find a real family tree.
- Encourage families to explore the story at home and share the Stick Man movie free to view on ABC
 - [Stick Man / ABC iview](#)



EVALUATING EXPERIENCES

prompts for critical reflection

- What worked well and why? What will I do differently next time?
- What feedback did children give, and how can I include their voices in future experiences?



MORE INSPIRATION

Want some more guidance and ideas on engaging environments? We've got you covered!



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